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Post of Loans Tahsildar in Siddhout taluk.

9-40 a.m. * 1284 *Q.*—SRI V. CHIDANANDAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the post of the Tahsildar for Loans in Siddhout taluk was abolished and if so, the date on which it was abolished;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that within a very short time after abolition it was again restored;

(*c*) if so, the reasons for the same;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that it was abolished again within a short time; and

(*e*) if so, the reasons for the same?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" The answer [a] is placed on the Table of the House."

Sea erosion at Badagara, North Malabar.

* 1285 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government have any information regarding the sea erosion during the heavy rains in the first week of July 1953 into Badagara Fishermen's area, North Malabar and, if so, the extent of the damage suffered and the steps taken by the Government to relieve the distress in the area?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" Yes The Collector of Malabar has reported that in Badagara the sea advanced for about a furlong eroding a considerable portion of the foreshore land, uprooting nearly 100 coconut trees and causing damage to the fish-curing yard and that 11 huts have also collapsed. The Collector has sanctioned a sum of Rs. 245 to those affected people."

Floods in Malabar.

* 1286 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government received any report from the Collector of Malabar regarding the widespread destruction of houses and properties owing to the heavy rain and flood that occurred recently in Malabar; and

(*b*) what measures Government propose to take to give relief to those who have lost their houses and livelihood?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" (*a*) The Government have received a preliminary report from the Collector. This report is not a full account of the damage caused by the floods as communications have been cut off by the floods and interior places are inaccessible.

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"(b) The Collector of Malabar has already sanctioned monetary assistance to the people affected for the reconstruction or repair of their damaged houses."

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* 1287 *Q.*—Sri T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state what action has been taken by the Government to relieve the people of Malabar against the havoc created by the floods in that district?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—"The Collector of Malabar has sanctioned monetary relief for the reconstruction of houses damaged or destroyed by the floods in the Malabar district."

Floods in Malabar.

* 1288 *Q.*—Sri M. CHADAYAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Collector of Malabar has submitted any report about the recent flood damages in the district of Malabar and, if so, whether a copy of the report will be placed on the Table of the House;

(b) whether the Collector has undertaken any relief measures and if so, what they are; and

(c) how many houses collapsed and what is the total extent of the damage done?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—"(a) Yes. A preliminary report has been received from the Collector of Malabar. As the report is not a complete one, it will not serve any useful purpose to place a copy of the report on the Table of the House.

"(b) The Collector has sanctioned monetary relief for the reconstruction of damaged or destroyed houses, wherever necessary.

"(c) From the report received so far, 476 houses have been either damaged or destroyed by the floods. Full details have not yet been received as communications were cut off and interior places are inaccessible."

Arrests at Dalmiapuram on 15th July 1953.

* 1289 *Q.*—Sri A. GOVINDASWAMY NAYAGAR: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) how many were arrsted in Dalmiapuram on 15th July 1953 in connexion with the stopping of trains;

(b) how many were shot dead on that day by the police;

(c) how many were injured by the police; and